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THE LYRIC OF ACTION.

'Tis the part of a coward to brood
O'er the past that is withered and dead;
What though the heart's roses are ashes
and dust?
What though the heart's music be fled?
Still shine the grand heavens o'erhead,
Whence the voice of an angel thrills clear
on the soul,
"Gird about thee thine armor, press on to
the goal!"

If the faults or the crimes of thy youth
Are a burden too heavy to bear,
What hope can rebloom on the desolate
waste
Of a jealous and craven despair?
Down, down with the fetters of fear!
In the strength of thy valor and manhood
arise,
With the faith that illumes and the will
that defies.

"Too late!" through God's infinite world,
From His throne to life's nethermost
fires—
"Too late!" is a fantom that flies at the
dawn
Of the soul that repents and aspires,
If pure thou hast made thy desires,
There's no height the strong wings of immortals may gain
Which in striving to reach thou shalt strive
for in vain.

Then up to the contest with Fate,
Unbound by the past which is dead!
What though the heart's roses are ashes
and dust!
What though the heart's music be fled?
Still shine the fair heavens o'erhead;
And sublime as the angel who rules in the
Sun
Beams the promise of peace when the conflict is won!

—PAUL H. HAYNE.

KILLARNEY LAKE.

To the west of the town, and cut off from boat connection with the other lakes, lies the fourth of our large lakes, Killarney, which we have referred to in a former article as "the sunset lake." The nearest part of this lake being a mile from the station, it is often entirely overlooked by visitors to the town, but for those who do not object to its comparative seclusion, or who perhaps prefer it on that account, it offers attractions hardly inferior to some of the others. Its length lies nearly east and west, and looking from the town end forms a quietly picturesque vista, well suited to the taste of the seeker for a restful home, and when the evening sun sinks behind the pines at the far end, and the red and gold of the western sky are reflected from its calm surface, contrasting with the darkening green of the foliage about the shores, we have an ever changing scene that rivals fairy land, and makes us strain our eyes to see if we cannot catch a glimpse of wood-nymphs' dance or satyrs' play in some darkening grove on the shore. It is like watching the glowing embers of a fire—the mind is off its guard, and some such mythic life seems all that is lacking to complete the illusion, and carry us into some strange new world of poetry and dreams.

The visitor to Winter Park may take a pleasant and interesting drive around this lake, as we did lately, and see its charms and the improvements of those who have already settled there. Starting out from town to the south of the lake we first notice at a little distance to our right the grove of Dr. Henkel, at the easterly end of the lake, and a little further on, the grove and dwelling of Mr. Robert Reid, who has a pleasantly situated and thrifty place on the south shore. To the left of the road, away from the lake, lie the extensive nurseries of Messrs. Holden Bros., where thousands of little orange trees are awaiting their turn to furnish the new groves constantly being started in the neighborhood.

Beyond the nurseries we come in sight of Little Fairview Lake, and soon pass close to its shores, sighting as we do so Lake Fairview itself, which lies just beyond. The two lakes make an almost continuous stretch of water for about two miles, and there are some good locations along their shores, although the country around them being generally flatter, they are less picturesque than Killarney. Between lakes Killarney and Fairview is the Horseshoe Mound, from the top of which a pretty view of both lakes is to be had. It is believed to be an artificial mound, of Indian origin, and various relics have been found there, although we do not know that any systematic exploration of it has been made. It takes its name from its curved shape, which roughly resembles a huge horseshoe, the highest part of the mound being at the toe of the shoe and facing to the north.

To the southwest of the mound is a freak of nature, called, for want of a better name, the "sink-hole." It is a circular pit about 300 feet across, sunk in the midst of a nearly level surrounding country, as if a plug had been suddenly pulled out of the bottom just at that point. The sides drop very steeply, and are covered with a jungle of trees and vines, which shows that the drop has not been of very recent occurrence. At a depth of perhaps forty or fifty feet below the surrounding surface of the ground there is a pool of water about 150 feet in diameter, which has a cloudy green color resembling glacier water, and entirely unlike any other water in this neighborhood. On the west side a steep path leads down to where some one has planted a clump of banana plants, which seem to have flourished in this protected spot for several years without care. Just across the path from the bananas a clear spring of pure, sweet water issues from the bank, and is apparently the only source of supply for the pool below. How deep the latter is no one knows, but from all appearances the depth may be quite considerable in proportion to its size.

Turning north from here we come, in half a mile or less, to the place of Mr. Holden, senior, where two of his sons also live. Here is quite a farm, with large house and stables, the latter to accommodate the numerous horses and mules used about their own place and in their business as con-

tractors for the planting and care of groves. Rounding the westerly end of the lake, we come to the house of another of the Holden brothers, and nearly opposite to it, on the lake shore, a new house building for Mr. Robinson, who lately bought the grove in which it stands. Continuing eastward we cross Killarney brook, which forms the outlet of the lake, and is bordered with a pretty strip of hammock growth. The stream runs out of a pretty bay, almost cut off from the main lake, the connection being a channel perhaps 25 or 30 feet in width between the ends of narrow tongues of land which separate the bay from the lake. On the shore of the bay are the vacant buildings until recently used by Messrs. Moyers & Middaugh for a saw-mill. From here we may follow round at a little distance from the lake to the east end, where we should turn aside to the the shore and enjoy the view over the lake, which we have mentioned above. This view owes much of its beauty to a heavy mass of pine-woods on the south side near the farther end of the lake, and it is to be hoped that the march of improvement (?) will not sweep them away, as the absence of hills makes them the only resource to give variety of height and apparent mass to the shore. From here it is about a mile back to the center of the town, most of the way through pine woods not yet improved.

Carbonic Acid Gas as a Fire Extinguisher.

The fiery, untamed soda-water tank, which has chiefly distinguished itself since the advent of hot weather this year by bursting and killing or maiming its attendants, has made a new departure, says *Fire and Water*, and now appears in the role of a most efficient extinguisher of fire. Some days ago at Louisville, Ky., a boy carried a lighted candle into the cellar of a drug store, and in some unexplained way set fire to a vessel full of varnish, which blazed up through a grating in front of the building as high as the second floor. Before, however, the flames could gain headway in the building, the heat had melted the lead pipe connected with the newly charged soda-fountain, and the flames were instantly extinguished.

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A Good Plan of Cow-Penning.

More than 100 years ago an old farmer adopted a simple plan that proved efficacious in providing a clean, wholesome cow yard, and at the same time making and saving a large amount of rich manure. His plan was simply to once a month plow his cow yard, and thus turn the fresh dung below the surface. This gave the cows a bed of soft, fresh earth to lie on, and by the time it was necessary to plow again, the manure turned under had become so incorporated with the soil as to be no longer offensive. This was continued during the summer, and by fall he had a bed of compost as deep as he had plowed, which, hauling upon his land, he said was as rich and effective as the best barnyard manure.—*Michigan Farmer.*

The plan is a good one, no doubt. All the old straw and chips and trash generally might be scattered over the lot and plowed in with the stock manure. The former will absorb and retain a great deal of the liquid matter that might otherwise be lost, and which will, of itself, hasten the decomposition of the hay, chips and trash.

Great pains ought to be taken to save as much of the liquid matter as possible, for to waste it is a serious loss indeed.—*So. Live Stock Journal.*

Sick Poultry.

A remedy accidentally discovered, for sick poultry, may be of benefit to your readers, if you deem it worthy of insertion.

A hen was found "squat" down, and could not stand; would not eat, and closed her eyes. She was brought to me, and not knowing what to do for her I opened her mouth and poured in two or three drops of castor oil, and had her put in a coop by herself, intending to have the man kill and bury her when he came from the field, so the other poultry would not become infested if 'twas the cholera. But I forgot to give the order, and was informed the next morning that she was scratching. Had her let out, and she is now, to all appearances, the healthiest and happiest hen on the place; comb is red and she is singing all the time.

In a few days the old turkey gobbler was setting around in the same way, so I had him brought, and poured a few drops of oil out of the bottle into his mouth. He remained of his own accord in the hen house till fair weather, then came out entirely recovered.—*X. Y. in Florida Dispatch.*

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WINTER PARK, SEP. 9, 1887.

HAVE you registered? If not, see to it on or before the 10th. That is your last chance.

VOTE for incorporation first, and then for the men you prefer for office afterwards. The first necessity is a provision for local government in some form, to protect our property and persons, and then the less important question can be settled, as to who shall do the work.

THE community which depends for its business prosperity on the whiskey saloons is much like one which should depend upon its gambling houses, or other form of immorality, to tempt visitors. It might make money, but no man with any respect for his conscience would like to be responsible for its course.

THE *Century* for September is filled with good and timely reading matter. From the lightest of vacation rambles, in "Snubbin' through Jersey," by a party of artists in a canal boat, to the solid historical articles on the Constitution of the United States, the nomination and election of Lincoln, the home of Jefferson, and the siege of Petersburg, there is something for all tastes, grave or gray, while the chinks between are filled in with several bits of very good original poetry.

WE hear the argument against a dry county, that many men who now bring money here will stay away, and that certain large prospective investments will not be made if the county goes dry. Very well, be it so. If the men who prefer a wet county go elsewhere, we shall have the better chance to gain those who prefer it dry, and to our minds the latter are preferable as citizens and neighbors to the former. For ourself we are hunting a dry town, both for residence and business. We do not find that schools and churches and newspapers and legitimate merchants are any too well supported, or their bills any too promptly paid, without the additional burden of a saloon to absorb all the spare cash, and we have no desire to try our chances with that additional stumbling block in the way of the payment of honest debts.—*Florida Republican.*

WE extend a most hearty welcome to all who may like to visit our beautiful town, or make their winter homes with us, and grant them their full value as elements in our prosperity, but we nevertheless remind our readers that, other things being equal, the man who lives here twelve months in the year is worth at least twelve times as much to our local business, as one who only lives here one month, and it is to the permanent residents that we must look, in the long run, for our prosperity. Which kind of men do you want for permanent neighbors? Those who will seek residence in a town because they can get whiskey, or those who prefer to live where it and its associations are not always before them and their children? If you have children, which class of men do you wish to have them grow up among, and learn to respect and accept as worthy examples? If you have mother, wife, sister or daughter, which will you choose for their neighbors and companions? Which kind of men do you want to do business with—those who spend their money for drinks, and want credit for necessaries, or those who save their money and pay their bills? These are the questions you are voting on, when you vote wet or dry; for you may be sure that one class or the other will be attracted, according to the conditions you create for them.

TO-MORROW the question of incorporation comes before our people for their decision in the matter. We trust that all our people have fully weighed the matter and will let no question of a personal nature come between them and the real issue, which we are sure is the prosperous life of our community or stagnation which we feel certain will not be overcome for a good many years. Already letters have come inquiring what kind of protection we offer to property which is, of necessity, left vacant during the summer. Already we are asked, have you any public schools? Frequently does the question come, what system of sanitation and drainage have you? To these all-important questions we can only express the hope that after to-morrow we shall be able to give favorable answers. Shall we?

The fact is that, so far as we are able to judge, there is practically no opposition to the real question—the incorporation of our place—but the fight—if there is to be any and we hope not—is over the offices. Why not then leave that question entirely out until the main issue is settled, and then go in for a friendly contest on the question of the offices. We are sure we speak the sentiment of nearly every one of those who are supposed to be running for office when we say that they will all bow gracefully to the decision of the majority and so let us—after the main question is safe—go in for all there is in it, in a friendly way for our candidates, resolved to win if we can or submit with grace and congratulations to the other candidate should he be successful. There will, without doubt, be two and probably more tickets in the field, no man is to be unduly influenced to vote any one of them, but let *each and every man* go to the meeting, see the question of incorporation safely through first and then attend to the subject that is a secondary issue and should be made most decidedly so by all our citizens.

The Town of Winter Park is now at a critical point; shall we with all the advantages we have go to seed and be pointed at by the finger of scorn and derision by the hundreds who pass through on the trains every day or shall we each and all put our shoulders to the wheel, take up our share of the burden and thus not make it burdensome for any one person and get as a result the boom, the growth and the bright future that from all points is our due, if we work peacefully and harmoniously together? Always bear in mind that an obnox-

ious set of officers, should we be so unfortunate as to get such a set, can be got rid of in one year, while the setback we should receive, in our humble opinion, should we fail to incorporate, could not be overcome in years, perhaps never.

The first requisite for tomorrow for each and every one of us is to *be at the meeting* and with each and every one of us there, we are sure that the good sense for which our people are noted will prevail in a fine incorporation and a good, progressive, intelligent board of officers. For this we are anxious, feeling sure that its results will be most satisfactory to all who now live within the proposed limits of the Town of Winter Park.

JOTTINGS.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthiesen have commenced housekeeping in Mr. Thayer's flat on West Park Avenue.

Dr. Hooker and family are expected home from Daytona Beach this week. They have been having a very pleasant time, and we shall all be glad to see them.

The secretary of the Winter Park Co. has plenty of the new maps and will be glad to furnish them to anybody that wants them. They are very good maps.

Col. Earl was quite severely but it is hoped not seriously injured last Friday, while at work on the Lake Virginia trestle of the Orlando and Winter Park Railway.

Mr. L. A. Chase having returned from the New Hampshire Mountains, may now be addressed as follows: Loring A. Chase, Boston, Mass., care F. G. Webster, Box 7.

Mrs. Alex. Earl came home Tuesday from her summer's visit in Mass. The Col. looks happy, for since his accident he has needed the attentions of his wife very much.

Mr. Will Ingram will return this week from his sojourn at St. Johnsbury, Vermont. We are glad of it, for Rollins College without Will is Hamlet with "the meloncholy Dane" left out.

Prof. Austin and family are headed this way. My! but it does seem good to chronicle returns instead of departures. It will not be long now until our pretty little town will resume its lively, social, winter airs.

The family of Mr. C. H. Ward rejoice in the arrival of a young man who will immediately go into training for the kindergarten. It's really wonderful the way our population is increasing. Our kindest to you Mr. and Mrs. Ward.

We are in receipt of a letter from Mr. MacCallum, from Edinburg, Scotland, from which we quote the following: "You will be glad to hear that I am finding great interest in Florida among people in this country and have correspondents in the three Kingdoms. I expect to return early in October and a number of people will accompany me. I believe we will have a prosperous winter at Winter Park. LOCHMEDE is a great credit to our town."

Never since our residence in Winter Park have we been called upon to chronicle a sadder, more serious loss to our community than in the death of Mr. Alonzo W. Rollins, which occurred on the night of Sept. 2d, at his home in Chicago, Ills. Among the very first that we met after our arrival, a complete stranger, was Mr. Rollins, to us he at once extended, as he did to everybody that came, a hearty welcome, and from that time to this we have known him as an earnest, faithful worker in the interests of Winter Park. When the subject of a college here came up, his splendid donation of $50,000.00 decided the location of the magnificent school that bears his name here. Modest, retiring in his disposition, an energetic, intelligent worker in the cause of education, church and the development of the South, especially of Winter Park, these several causes have lost an earnest, devoted friend and one whom it will be hard to replace. We are not yet in receipt of any particulars as to his sickness or death but will try to place them before our readers in our next issue.

One of the best improvements that have taken shape in this place this summer is the large business block that was started by Mr. Ergood last Monday morning. He has decided to move his building known as Ergood's Block up to the Post Office building; he will consolidate this block with a new one of equal size, thus making a solid frontage of about 100 feet with a depth of 75 feet, two stories high. In these rooms he expects to have the post office, adjoining which will be Mr. Ergood's private loan and banking office; then Messrs. Pearce & Matthews elegant market of which mention was made in our last; then the large and efficient real estate agency of Mr. MacCullum, and then leaving one room to be disposed of for which positive arrangements are not yet made. Up stairs will be Ergood's Hall which will be improved and made ready for some good entertainments this winter and over the other two buildings will be fitted up furnished apartments for rent the coming winter. In the extent and value of good solid improvements to Winter Park no person has kept pace with Mr. Ergood the past summer as his elegant cottage and now solid business block testify.

Unclaimed Letters.

List of letters remaining in the Post Office at Winter Park, Orange Co., Fla., September 1st, 1887.

Alexander, Mrs. Maggie

Ashley, T. D.	McDowell, Edw. (c'rd)
Butler, Ed.	Pernsel, Willie
Canon, Miss Elmar	Ross, Peter, (card)
Harkins, Frank	Luspien, Thos.
Israel, Walthy	Willie, Mrs. Mary
Jackson, Mrs. Annah	White, Luna
Keyes, Lewis	Williams, John

Mickins, G. W. (letter and card)

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Under and by virtue of the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida regarding the incorporation of cities and towns, we the undersigned registered voters within the metes and bounds hereinafter described, hereby give notice that it is our intention to incorporate said district into the Town of Winter Park, and that a meeting for the purpose of organizing a municipal government and electing officers will be held at Ergood's Hall, on Saturday, Sept. 10, 1887, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Metes and bounds described as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the north-east corner of Section one (1), Township twenty-two (22) south, Range twenty-nine (29) east, and running west along Township line to the first quarter-section corner, thence south two and one-quarter (2¼) miles to the south-west corner of the north-west quarter of the north-east quarter of Section thirteen (13), Township twenty-two (22) south, Range twenty-nine east, thence east two and three-quarters (2¾) miles to the south-east corner of the north-west quarter of the north-west quarter of Section sixteen (16), Township twenty-two (22) south, Range thirty (30) east, thence north two and one-quarter (2¼) miles, more or less, to the Township line, thence west sixteen (16) chains, more or less, along said township line to the south-east corner of Section thirty-two [32] Township twenty-one [21] south, Range thirty [30] east, thence north one-half [½] mile along east boundary of said section to the quarter section corner, thence west two [2] miles to Range line, thence south along said Range line one-half [½] mile, more or less, to point of beginning, containing forty-six hundred [4600] acres, more or less.

W. S. Lane	M. Alcott
L. H. Donkel	J. H. Ford
Alexander Earl	Charles Clark
Isaac A. Ellingwood	Henry S. Kedney
F. R. Israel	Ed. Legrieve
Joseph J. Jordan	E. P. Hooker
Charles J. Ladd	William Wilson
Jno. R. Ergood	J. C. Houston
B. C. Rackliff	E. L. Maxson
J. S. Capen	T. C. Wilkes
J. C. Smith	C. F. Avriett
Jno. M. Hunter	R. J. D. Larrabee
Thos. W. Griffiths	B. F. Moses
Dock Clark	T. B. Wilson
Walter Simpson	G. C. Henderson
Sandy Simpson	G. L. Brookins
R. R. Thayer	W. T. Rutland
Henry Daniels	Frank B. Bacon
D. R. Jamieson	William Devol
S. S. Capen	A. B. Bruten
J. L. Wilkes	Allen Rickets
Nathan Barrows	J. L. McLaulin
B. L. Clark	W. M. Baxter
J. H. Lamay	Wm. A. Guild
Henry S. Chubb	John R. Mizell
J. S. Bethune	W. S. Straughter

R. Thomas

Robert Ruffin, his x mark
G. W. Washington, his x mark
Richard Redmond, his x mark
Samuel Wilson, his x mark
} C. J. Ladd, witness to mark.

Winter Park, Aug. 1st, 1887. 6-1m

Curing Lemons.

Agreeably to my promise, and in response to requests from growers in different sections of the state, I submit the following process of curing lemons obtained in interviews with those prominent in the lemon industry of Florida, as well as those experienced in Italian modes of curing:

Clip—do not pull—the lemons when fully grown and beginning to show a faint sign of golden color, but before they turn yellow. It requires some experience to know when to clip the lemons, the tendency being to clip too soon, thus injuring the flavor and reducing the amount of juice, which is the certain effect if picked before mature.

As soon as clipped lay them on the ground in the shade where not a ray of sunshine can fall upon them, as that would make them spotted. Do not put any covering on them. Let them lie on the ground a week, seven days and nights.

Have prepared a close, tight, dark room, and on the floor pile all the lemons in one heap. Cover with blankets, shut the door and let them remain forty-eight hours; then wipe them carefully, for they will be covered with moisture.

Provide latticed shelves in a dark, dry room—probably the room in which they were sweated would be the most convenient—and lay them on the shelves two deep to dry, being careful not to expose them to either light or air. Let them remain on the shelves three or four days, then carefully size, wrap and pack them very tightly in boxes, marking number of lemons and brand on each box. Pack 250, or 300, or 350 in each box. Then ship, but do not let the boxes lie for hours exposed to the sun, if possible to prevent. Much fruit is ruined lying in the strong sunshine at the depot awaiting transference to the cars. Send, if possible, in lots of twenty-five boxes, or upwards, as the larger lots bring better prices than when shipped in lots of less than twenty-five boxes.—*Sherman Adams in Florida Dispatch.*

Last Monday we looked upon what we never saw before—a wagon load of hay grown and baled in Leon county. It came from the plantation of Mr. G. G. Gibbs, and was a mixture of golden millet and crab grass, nicely cured and to all appearances was first-class hay. Mr. Gibbs raises about three tons to the acre.—*Floridian.*

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The Glass or Joint Snake.

The snake lizard, or joint snake as it is called in some localities, is a peculiar reptile, and has seemingly puzzled the earlier naturalists as to its proper classification, some placing it among the serpents (*ophidia*), and others with the lizards (*lacertilia*). It is serpent-like in form, being destitute of limbs, but a mere glance at its anatomy proves it to be a true lizard. The lower jaw bone is not disjointed as in the snakes, and the eyes of the snake lizard have movable lids, and its ears are visible externally—characters which never appear in serpents. Its tongue is not slender, forked and sheathed as in the serpents, but is somewhat arrow-shaped, notched in front and covered before with granular, and posteriorily with filiform papillæ. The scales are quadrangular in shape, arranged in transverse rows, and a fold of skin runs along each side of the body, separating the upper from the lower parts.

The tail of a snake or lizard is always considered that portion posterior to the anal opening or vent. The portion anterior to the vent is the body proper, as it contains all of the vital organs, while the tail contains nothing important. In the snake lizard the vent is situated far forward, and the tail is often twice the length of the head and body together. When the reptile is struck lightly, the portion which seemingly is voluntarily broken to pieces is always the tail, never the body or that portion anterior to the anal opening.

"In many of the lizards the caudal vertebræ have a very singular structure, the middle of each being traversed by a thin, unossified transverse septum. The vertebra naturally breaks with great readiness through the plane of the septum, and when such lizards are seized by the tail, that appendage is pretty certain to part at one of these weak points." The muscles of the tail do not pass over these joints, so that the parting of the tail does not cause a tearing apart of the muscular fibers, but simply a separation of one muscular plate from another.

When the tail has once been broken, it is hardly necessary to say that it is impossible for the reptile to collect and reunite the pieces.—*C. Few Seiss in Scientific American.*

Whatever else you may do to a fig tree be sure and never prune it. If it fails to hold fruit, cease to stir the soil and in a few months the lateral roots will have sought the surface soil, and it is then an easy matter to prune the roots with a spade by sticking it in the ground about a foot deep. The roots should be pruned a distance from the trees not exceeding two-thirds of the length of the lower branches.—*Florida Agriculturist.*

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